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## **National Public Lands Day at Carlyle Lake**

*Carlyle Lake, Carlyle, Illinois, September 19th, 2006* - The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at Carlyle Lake is hosting a National Public Lands Day event on Saturday, September 23rd at the Dam West Recreation Area from 8:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. On National Public Lands Day (NPLD), thousands of volunteers gather at national parks and forests, reservoirs and other public areas nationwide to improve and enhance the resources of those special places.

The Carlyle Lake event will begin with a land and shoreline clean-up. Areas around the lake have been selected for volunteers to come out and lend a hand to clean up. Registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. at the Carlyle Lake Visitor Center. Volunteers can pre-register by contacting the Carlyle Lake Project Office at (618)594-2191. Following the Clean-up, participants are invited to come back to the Visitor Center, where at 11 a.m. Woodsy Owl will be on hand to greet everyone, and at 11:30 a.m. Park Ranger Kim Hammel will present an environmental program on the importance of the three R's: Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle.

In conjunction with the Clean-up there will be an Aluminum Can Round-up. Everyone is encouraged to bring aluminum cans to the Carlyle Lake Visitor Center to be placed in the aluminum can recycling bin. Funding from the cans will go toward environmental programming at the lake.

For more information or to register for the event contact Park Ranger Kim Hammel at the Carlyle Lake Project Office at (618)594-2484.

